

ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

REQUEST FOR LETTERS OF INTEREST

Notice is hereby given that the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department is seeking letters of interest from qualified architectural/engineering firms to provide professional services to develop construction plans and specifications for three (3) new Arkansas Welcome Centers to be located at existing Tourist Information Center sites. The work includes architectural and engineering services for the following:

- 1) Blytheville Welcome Center – Interstate 55 Southbound, Mississippi County, Arkansas.
- 2) West Memphis Welcome Center – Interstate 40 Westbound, Crittenden County, Arkansas.
- 3) Lake Village Welcome Center – U.S. Highway 65 Northbound, Chicot County, Arkansas.

The work will generally consist of providing complete architectural and engineering design and Architectural Drawings and Contract Documents for the referenced Arkansas Welcome Centers.

Each "interstate" facility will consist of Welcome Center Building, with approximately 6,000 square feet of floor space for tourist information areas, exhibitory space, seating areas, offices, supply and storage, and public restrooms; and parking and drives, picnic areas, and related items.

The "non-interstate" facility will consist of Welcome Center Building, with approximately 3,000 square feet of floor space with same amenities as interstate facilities.

A letter of interest, together with general information on the firm, the firm's brochure showing experience in similar work, Form SF-254, and a resume of key personnel to be assigned to the project should be addressed to:

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Five (5) sets of responses must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on November 17, 2005. Any responses received after this deadline will not be considered.

After a review of all letters of interest received, selected firms will be furnished a scope of work and requested to submit proposals for accomplishing the work.